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For: INK COMPOSITION, RECORDING METHOD AND RECORDED IMAGE UTILIZING THE SAME, INK

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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The patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on the PTO-1449(s), attached hereto.

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  Accordingly, submitted herewith is a legible copy of (i) each U.S. and foreign patent; (ii) each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and (iii) all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed.
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c. Some or all of the documents listed on the PTO-1449 are not enclosed because they were cited in the International Search Report and copies should already be in the PTO file. If copies are needed, please contact the undersigned.

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A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications, or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:

JP 2968010 B2 is cited on page 2 of the present specification and also see the attached English abstract;

JP 63-65034 B2 is cited on page 2 of the present specification and also see the attached English abstract;

JP 2516218 B2 is cited on page 5 of the present specification and also see the attached English abstract;

Tokushu Kinou Inki no Jissai Gijutu (Practical Technologies of Ink with Special Functions), 1<sup>st</sup> popular edition, CMC Co., Nov. 15, 1999, pp. 6-7 is cited on page 2 of the present specification and also see the attached partial English translation.

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		An English language version of the search report or action that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached, thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation. See MPEP 609(III)(A)(3).
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